

help discover the ideas, practices or products that fuel our country's progress. During these challenging economic times, it is all the more important to recognize their influence in affirming the limitless potential of our great country; therefore, I am happy to recognize one such individual: Mr. Chad Bouton, who was recently honored by Central Ohio's own Battelle Memorial Institute as the Battelle Inventor of the Year.

Since 1997, Chad Bouton has marked himself as a stand-out talent at Battelle. He worked as the primary innovator, inventor and principal investigator for dozens of medical device projects, from enabling paraplegics to control wheelchairs with their thoughts to providing surgeons with tools to enable minimally invasive surgical procedures. His passion for his work has led Chad to be honored with two R&D Magazine "Top 100" awards, several Battelle Outstanding Technical Achievement Awards, as well as, having nine of his works published in numerous scholarly journals.

Through the ingenuity of his thinking and tenacity of his work, Chad stands as an example to many across our country. Therefore, I am very pleased to thank him for all he has done for our country, and on behalf of Ohio's 12th Congressional District, congratulate him on his most recent award.

**CONGRATULATING EDDIE REYES,
WINNER OF THE 2010 MINORITY
SMALL BUSINESS CHAMPION OF
THE YEAR AWARD**

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Eddie Reyes, who has been named the 2010 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year by the United States Small Business Administration.

Reyes, coordinator of the Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) program at the University of North Texas (UNT) in Denton, Texas, will be honored at the Small Business Administration's National Small Business Week celebration in Washington, DC, May 23–25, 2010. Joining award winners from across the country, Reyes will be recognized for his personal successes as a small business owner, the contributions he has made to small businesses and the economic well-being of the country, and the special impact made by outstanding entrepreneurs and small business owners.

Reyes works with UNT and state programs to reveal opportunities to bid on goods or services and helps small business owners navigate the procurement process. He also informs them on how to obtain certification as a HUB vendor. Reyes deserves many thanks for his outstanding achievements and continuing dedication to UNT and to small business.

Reyes has received many notable honors, including being the first-ever International Business Achievement Award Recipient by the Greater Dallas Chamber, the Texas Association of Mexican-American Chambers of Commerce's H.U.B. Coordinator of the Year Award, the Pillar of the Community Award from the D/FW Association of Hispanic Contractors, and Small Business Advocate of the Year by Alliance Texas, among others.

Reyes was born and raised in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and continues to live in the area with his wife. He hosts "Diversity in Action with Eddie Reyes," a business radio program that offers information about being a successful minority or woman-owned business.

Madam Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today and congratulate Eddie Reyes, winner of the 2010 Minority Small Business Champion of the Year award. It is an honor to represent Reyes and many small businesses across North Texas in the United States Congress.

**IN HONOR OF RANCOCAS VALLEY
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL'S
NJROTC PROGRAM**

HON. JOHN H. ADLER

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. ADLER of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today for the purpose of honoring the Rancocas Valley Regional High School's NJROTC program, which has been honored as a distinguished unit by the United States Navy. The program, which was established at the school in 1975, has been recognized for the seventh straight year for its academic, leadership and professional development.

The Rancocas Valley Regional High School's Navy Junior ROTC program, led by Bert DeJong, a retired lieutenant commander from the Coast Guard, and Dave Aupperle, a retired Navy chief petty officer, includes more than 100 students. The cadets learn about various naval topics and participate in such activities as drill competitions, community service and physical fitness training. Throughout their history, the Rancocas Valley unit has won many awards, including a state championship in drills and a first-runner up in the Northeast regional drills competition.

Additionally, the unit performs a great deal of community service, including parades, a walk to benefit children with Down syndrome, a cleanup day in Eastampton, NJ, veterans and senior citizens dinners, recycling efforts, work with the local Elks lodge, and assisting families of military personnel serving abroad.

I am extremely proud of the unit for their continuous example of leadership and community service. Madam Speaker, I hope that you will join me in commending the Rancocas Valley Regional High School's Navy Junior ROTC program.

**HONORING THE LIFE OF LENA
HORNE**

SPEECH OF

HON. DANA ROHRBACHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

Mr. ROHRBACHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H. Res. 1362, which celebrates the life and achievements of Lena Mary Calhoun Horne, and honors her for her triumphs against racial discrimination and her steadfast commitment to the civil rights of all people.

Lena Horne was a trail-blazing performing artist whose life exemplified her commitment

to social justice, peace, and civil rights. During World War II, she paid her own way to travel and entertain the troops at Army camps for the USO, and became an outspoken critic of the treatment of African-American servicemen, many of whom had to sit behind German Prisoners of War during her performances.

Ms. Horne went on to participate in numerous civil rights rallies and demonstrations, and used her poise, grace, and courage to pave the way for generations of women and African-Americans. Our nation is better because of Lena Horne and those like her, and it is right and fitting that we honor her on the House floor today.

**HONORING DIETER HEINZ
DUBBERKE**

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend and congratulate Dieter Heinz Dubberke upon being awarded with the Americanism Medal from the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Mr. Dubberke will be recognized and honored by the Merced River Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution on Saturday, April 24, 2010.

Mr. Dieter Dubberke grew up in Natzlaff, Germany in the late 1930s. As a young child, his mother and brother moved around Germany, attempting to flee from the Russians as they swept through parts of Germany. The three were finally able to reach Reinbek, a city in the Western Sector, where they were reunited with his maternal grandmother. At the age of 13, Mr. Dubberke's mother passed away, leaving him and his brother to care for their elderly grandmother. It was decided that the brothers would travel to the United States, where they would be adopted by their uncle Max Dubberke.

Arriving in the United States, Mr. Dubberke settled in with his uncle and attended high school in Culver City, California. Upon graduating from high school, he joined the United States Army. He served in the Army for 3 years, and then returned to California to marry his high school sweetheart, Diane, and began working for the Safeway Corporation.

Mr. Dubberke eventually moved to Mariposa, California. With his strong entrepreneurial spirit and grocery experience, he opened a small mini-mart. Later, he established Pioneer Market in Mariposa, and Dubberke and Dubberke Investments. Today, he serves as Chief Executive Officer of Dubberke and Dubberke Investments, which has five entities and eighty employees.

Mr. Dubberke is an instrumental part of the Mariposa community. He values and displays hard work, common sense, determination, honor and integrity. He is a champion of small business owners' rights and in his own business he hires local people, especially high school students, and provides generous benefits to his employees. Mr. Dubberke sponsors the annual Grizzly Family Hoedown, an event that has raised more than \$20,000 in funds for transportation to non-league athletic events. He also sponsors the annual Mariposa High School Golf Tournament, in support of the